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SUBJECT: NEW RELO FOR THE GULF

¶1. (U) Summary. Embassy Manama announces the arrival of Regional English Language Officer (RELO) Fife MacDuff. Fife is replacing Rebecca Smoak, covering Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, and the UAE. The RELO is available for consultations and to support English language programming that assists posts in meeting their mission goals. A new RELO assistant will join the office soon. End Summary

¶2. The RELO supports English language programming that includes, but is not limited to, the English Access Microscholarship Program, the English Language Fellow Program, the English Language Specialist Program, the E-Teacher Scholarship Program, and educational materials published by the Office of English Language Programs, i.e., over 80 titles focused on English language learning, including the English Teaching Forum journal. In addition, the RELO often provides advice for and engages in cooperation with the Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant Program, Study of the U.S. Summer Institute for Secondary Educators, International Visitor and Voluntary Visitor Programs, local English Teacher Associations, Regional conference organizers, as well as other arrangers of training efforts that are focused on English Language Teaching. The RELO is a resource for establishing and cultivating professional relationships with education officials, academic institutions, government agencies, and NGOs involved in policy development, delivering English language programs, and in training teachers of English both in the United States and in host countries.

¶3. Former RELO assistant Fatema Hashem is no longer with the office in Manama. Post is bringing on board a new assistant whose contact information will be sent via email after August 17.

¶4. For the purpose of better assisting PAS in Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, and the UAE over the next two years, Fife MacDuff is available to schedule TDY visits at their earliest convenience.

¶5. For further information and interaction, please feel free to contact RELO Fife MacDuff at fife-macduffrt@state.gov. Fife can also be reached at cell (973)3941-5261, office telephone (973)1724-2913, and fax (973)1727-0547.

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